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For. CORE BAR OF ELASTIC BODY TRACK SHOE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: October 9, 2003

Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.